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IS HE A SCAPEGOAT?

Charles W. Morse has started for Atlanta, Ga., to serve there the fifteen year sentence for financial crookedness mposed upon him in New York. He is still hopeful of release and declares that his sentence is the "most brutal ever imposed on a man in a civilized country." A victim was called for, he says, and he was made the scapegoat. There is no question that a lot of men more criminal than he have escaped without punishment of any kind, but that does not lessen the weight of his nisdeeds.-Bridgeport Standard.

Mr. Morse is not in a position to pass a valid opinion upon the action of the courts in his case. His affirmation that other men even guiltier than he have escaped may be true, but it is also true that one financier has got what he richly merits. It is a pity that the law is not more effective; that in all high crimes against the people as many escape identification and indictment as are convicted, is unquestionably true; but the failure of the law in one respect should not be made the ground for its leniency in other authenticated cases. Convict Morse is a victim of his own greed and brutality, not of the brutality of

SIGNS OF EXTORTION.

When one reads the annual reports prices in some directions, for it is plain that a greed amounting to criminal extertion is at the bottom of a great deal of the trouble. Here are a few items gleaned from our exchang-

\$100,000 of which is "good will, etc." It paid 15 per cent. dividends last year and so far this year it has made 2 per cent, besides bringing the surplus up to \$952,672, or nearly twice the

fourths of which is represented by to be worried by the criticisms of his "good will and trademarks." has acquired a surplus of \$8,824,230 in ten years. It made a clear profit of \$1,-075,772 on the sales of fluid milk and cream alone in Chicago and New York in the nine months of 1909, ending

with September 30. The Alexander Campbell Milk com pany made 25 per cent, profit in the six months ending June 1.

These companies are members of the so-called milk trust. Recently they raised the price of milk from eight cents a quart to nine, saying that they were losing money at the old

Cutting "melens" for its lucky shareholders is quite a habit of the Wells-Fargo Express company. In November the company paid a stock dividend of 200 per cent., or two addi- The Bulletin. tional shares at par and \$100 in cash. semi-annual dividend. All this is very trust right away. nice for the express company's stockholders, but no wild enthusiasm over the company's prosperity will be manifested by the common people, who are held at the mercy of the express trust and compelled to pay exorbitant prices for service in order that such

dividends may be realized.

This is what combinations are for: wages no longer hear the old relation to one another, warranting the complaint that the advance in prices is all out of proportion to the advance in wages made to the workers; it is to prevent this that President Taft will invoke the aid of congress to make stronger the Sherman anti-trust

AN INCREASE OF BEGGARS.

The professional beggars are a nermanent class in the old countries and promise to become so here. Those in a position to know sur that begging is increasing in all parts of the coun-

James Forbes, secretary of the National Association for the Prevention of Mendicancy, has compiled figures as to the number of beggars in New York, which seem to show that mendicancy has become an evil of such extent that measures must be taken to stamp it out, or, at least check it. Mr. Forbes asserts there are more than \$,000 beggars in New York and that they gather no less than \$11,000,-000 a year on the streets.

He estimates that each one the day before Christmas begged \$25 to \$30 friend a snow shovel tagged: Good on an average. And he points out that resolution No. 1. the amount thrown to the beggar in pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters is merely the first cost of mendicancy, and that to this must be added many dollars more, for to the beggar must be charged part of the cost of the police establishment, of the charltable and reformative institutions, of the hospital and of the potter's field, this being where the average beggar winds up his career.

He does not doubt that any industrious beggar can collect more money in a year than the average workingman can earn; but they are improvident because the money comes easy and end life as poor as they began it.

Beating one's way through life is becoming too common and it is the duty of live citizens to as far as possible check the habit.

The Pennsylvania road is about to put up seven hundred and twenty model tenements for its workmen at Long Island City. This is the largest enterprise of the kind ever undertaken by a railroad.

The taking of the census out of polities appears to be a bully way of getting the census into politics, for who knows the people better or gets closer to them than the politicians? Who is doing the business?

A ROAD THAT SUITS.

The men who team over Connecticut's good roads are not the ones who complain, but those who speed over

While Commissioner MacDonald has been confined to the house by an at-tack of grip, he has had the pleasure of seeing come to his defense not only his newspaper friends but some of his newspaper opponents.

Now this is what a writer in the

New Milford Journal has to say of the good roads the commissioner has built in Roxbury, this state: "A stranger or non-resident of our state, reading our Connecticut papers,

would come to the conclusion that our highway commissioner was a grafter and that the entire office force was a den of thieves.

"In the first place, the writer holds no brief for Commissioner MacDonald. Does not attend the same church, differs, and differs hard, in politics, and has never received and never expects to receive any favors from him of any kind or nature.

"With this explanation, I wish to tell you about one piece of the state highway, where there was no graft of any kind, and where the work was rigidly inspected, from start to finish. and when it was completed and accepted the contractors were paid in

"It was work and hard work, on the part of a few to convince our people owing to our financial condition) to rote to appropriate for good roads. "Today we are all state road people, as evidenced at our last town meeting. when we voted the limit for another

stretch of state road. "Our city friends, who have purchased property here and are living with us, are bragging to their friends about our road.

"Teams that hauled 2,000 pounds for a load, station to village, now take

3,000 to 4,000 pounds.
"It has had the hardest kind of usage and as yet shows no defects. We expect it will need some patching after the frost comes out in the spring, and it is going to get it (if needed). "We hope in time, in connection with Litchfield, Washington and of the combinations there appears to Bridgewater, to have a through road, be no question as to the cause of high through this section, that we will all be proud of. Bridgewater so voted at

their last town meeting.
"Notwithstanding disparaging remarks, and the general tone of our state press, the towns in this vicinity are confident, in leaving this road The Sheffield Farms company has a matter in the hands of Commissioner capitalization of \$500,000, more than MacDonald, there will be no graft or scandal of any kind and that eventual

ly we will have good roads." It takes more than slander to ruln a worthy public servant. It will take more than selfish interests and grafters to throw him down. Commission The Borden Condensed Milk compa- er MacDonald knows his Connecticut ny, with a capital of \$20,000,000, three- and his friends and he has no reason

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The New York custom house officials are having a hard time to find honest scales and plenty of them

The snow has covered up the garhage piles, but when it goes they will e a greater menace to health than

The men who loved Gaynor during the campaign and shouted for him are now thumping him as an ingrate. Such

Happy thought for today: Citizens who are renewing their subscriptions do not forget to say nice words of

20 per cent, payable February 10, in thirty billions, and there is no danger addition to the regular 5 per cent. of their being gobbled up by one great

The small boy cannot withhold his admiration from a man who can pick a snowball from his ear without getting mad about it.

The msn who has a subconscious self has two to manage now where he This is what combinations are for; before had one. Perhaps the resolu-

It took fifty million barrels of Portland cement to meet the demand last year, which is fifty times the amoun required ten years ago.

Many a woman thinks that the man who has no use for a nightkey and is always able to find the keyhole when necessary, is a model husband.

Vermont has enough mountain whites to set up a Christmas tree and a banquet for. Are these descendants of the "Green Mountain boys"?

The unfinished strikes that came over from 1909 must surprise the kid who is compelled to take charge of affairs, if the artists picture him cor

The man who draws a big salary for bossing others often cannot bozs himself well enough to command the respect of the humblest workman under his charge.

A western man who was negligent of his sidewalk received for a New Year's present from some unknown

saying more about Dr. Cook that was not so than they ever said about Dr.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. John Donovan Explains.

Mr. Editor: In regard to the Division street ledge if you will turn to page 429, Journal Court of Common Council, 1965 and 1996, you fill find the committee on finance submitted to the citizens of Norwich in addition to their recommendations of the estimated expenditures, the sum of \$500 for blasting out a ledge on Division street; also the sum of \$60,387.50 for a new street from Cliff to North Cliff street, and the sum of \$6,387.50 to macadamise Laurel Hill avenue. All three appropriations were authorized by the city meeting. The street commissioner's report shows he had expended the sum of \$491.73 for blasting out the ledge on Division street—said report can be found on page 12 of the fourth annual report of the committee of public works for the

of the fourth annual report of the committee of public works for the year 1907, signed Joseph H. Henderson, street commissioner.

On page 5, same journal, you find report of street committee, signed Frank A. Robinson, Elias H. Chapman and Charles S. Twist, which report shows the amount appropriated for Laurel Hill macadam was grossly insufficient to lay macadam on Laurel

Laurel Hill macadam was grossly insufficient to lay macadam on Laurel Hill avenue, and the work was not done that year.

On page 6, same journal, same committee reported the sum of \$500 appropriated to cut new street from Cliff street through land of the Polish church, was gressly insufficient to do the work, and let the year pass without making a beginning.

Notwithsingding that the sum of

THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY

SWEARING OFF

his favorite cigar and droppped a dime on the showcase.

How is that?" countered the spender, nipping off the end and reaching for the gas torch.

The druggist grinned amiably.

"Oh, you know—the big swear-off thing," he explained, "right hand up and never again on the booze and the smokes and all that. All fixed, eh?"

The occasional customer regarded him rather coldly.

Do you think I look as though I needed something of that sort?" he demanded. "Is my face red and bloated? Are my eyes puffy and have you noticed my hands trembling from the effects of debauches?"

The druggist gasped hastily.

"Sure not — nothing like that," he dechared, warmly, "but I didn't know but you were one of these regular resolution fellows on Jan. 1. I didn't mean to insinuate anything—I should say not."

"Then why did you suggest such a thing?" nursued the customer, follow-

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"Then why did you suggest such a thing?" pursued the customer, following up his advantage relentlessly. "There must have been some reason for it, you know. Maybe you've seen me coming home on the owl trains of the elevated with my chin in my lap three or four nights a week. That might be it. Or possibly you have heard gossip around these corners about my wife complaining to the neighbors that I beat her up when I go on my prolonged sprees. Those things do get around about some people, you know."

An Effective and Pleasing Sermon.

"Getting ready for the annual stunt, I suppose?" asked the druggist when the occasional customer pointed out his favorite cigar and droppped a dime on the showcase.

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"Say, don't get huffy," interjected the druggist. "I told you I was only kidding. Can't you take a joke?"

"Your ideas of humor," went on the man with the cigar, "are so vague and unusual and scattered that you ought to make a big success writing musical comedies. You consider it a joke to charge a comparative stranger with being a common drunkard, a night brawler who neglects his family for barrooms companions—a slave to tobacco who should in all decency pull up and endeavor to reform with the beginning of the new year. That's the idea I gather from your suggestion about swearing off, and now you tell me that it's meant as a joke. I haven't come to the laugh yet," he added.

The embarrassed druggist was great-

The embarrassed druggist was greatly relieved when the telephone bell called him away from the indignant customer and the latter continued to scatter ashes over the tesselated floor until his return.

things do get around about some people, you know."

"Oh, come off," protested the druggist, rather red-faced and uncomfortable; "you're striking me, all right, but a man doesn't have to be a regular soak just because he makes up his mind to cut it out for a while. I think myself it's a good thing to do—once a year or so."

"I don't suppose you really meant any offense," said the customer, when the druggist began nervously rearranging his cigar stock, "but you can see how a crack of that kind sounds. At the same time," he went on, walking slowly to the door and seizing the interior in the druggist began nervously rearranging his cigar stock, "but you can see how a crack of that kind sounds. At the same time," he went on, walking slowly to the door and seizing the interior in the druggist began nervously rearranging his cigar stock, "but you can see how a crack of that kind sounds. At the same time," he went on, walking slowly to the door and seizing the interior in the druggist began nervously rearranging his cigar stock, "but you can see how a crack of that kind sounds. At the same time," he went on, walking slowly to the door and seizing the interior.

\$6,387.30 was insufficient in the opinion of the committee of public works to build a macadam road on Laurel Hill avenue, and the sum of \$300 was insufficient to build the road through the Polish church property, yet Mr. Robinson, who was a member of the finance committee, recommended that the sum of \$6,361.45 be appropriated to build the road through Polish church property; these appropriations were made by city meeting, and can be found on page 437, journal 1806 and 1907.

On page 5, Journal Court of Common Connell, 1907-1908, you will find the report of the street commissioner, which shows that the cost of cutting a road through the Polish church property was \$55.046 more than the appropriation, which was so grossly insufficient to build the road the year before.

On same page you will find that 'it cost \$56.450 more than the appropriation which was so grossly insufficient to build the Laurel Hill macadam, or \$58.52 more than the appropriation which was so grossly insufficient to build the road the year before. Said report was signed.

An Effective and Pleasing Sermen.

**Mich Condition and years before getting what is due him.

Now, I only wish that some of my good Catholic acquaintances had invited me to attend church at St. Patrick's and hear the pastor say these very words! I am afraid I might have foreywords! I am

An Effective and Pleasing Sermon.

Mr. Editor: I was so interested in your paper's report of Rev. Hugh Treanor's sermon on living "soberly, justly, godly," that I inquired of one of my Catholic clerks exactly what the pastor of St. Patrick's said on the point of the duty of people to pay their just debts. As far as my clerk remembers the preacher spoke as follows:

While most Christians would not actually steal, it is no better to delay paying debts when one is able to pay, to run up bills when there is no present or future prospect of paying them, to take for the theater and other pleasures money which by right belongs to the butcher or greer, who "Whatever you do, keep sweet!" is

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